

A TRUE
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OF THE
Inhuman Cruelties
Lately Acted by the
REBELS
IN
SCOTLAND.
WITH

The manner of their taking of *Glasgough*, Rifling the
Lord Archbishops House, Digging the Bishop of *Argyles*
children out of their Graves: and many other Barbarities.

*Being the substance of a LETTER sent to
a Person of Quality.*

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SIR,

I Am very sorry I have so sad a Subject to
reat of; and cannot, but know, in part,
the trouble it will lay you under when
you read it. The Crimes perpetrated here are
so great and foul in their own nature, that they
admit not of aggravation; and therefore I shall
not spend time in Prefacing, but give you the

matter of fact, and leave the comment to your self.

When these Rebels had taken *Glasgough*, they publickly made Proclamation, That they fought against Supremacy, Prelacy and Popery. At the end of which Proclamation, one called *Belfour* of *Kinloch* held up his hand and cried with a loud voice, *This is the hand that killed Sharp*, (to wit, the Lord Archbishop of *St. Andrews* ; and no wonder the Miscreant rob'd him of his Title, having before bereaved him of his Life.) This done, away they went to my Lord Archbishop of *Glasgough's* House, and having forcibly entred it, tore down all his Hangings, and then tore them all to pieces. They broke open all his Trunks, tore his Clothes, drained his Cellars ; and in a word, made a miserable havock of all they found. Nothing escaped them save some few of the best of his Books, which were before they could get to his House secured by some of the honest Neighbours. And it may reasonably be presumed this Reverend Prelate had felt a Sacrifice to their Devilish fury, had he been in their way.

But

But as if all this were not enough to make them eternally odious and loathsome to all good and sober men ; they added another piece of Villany which is scarce to be paralleld in any story ; which is this : They entered into, and rifled the Bishop of *Argyle's* House, destroying all they could find there ; and that done , went to the Grave where some time since two of the foresaid Bishop's Children were buried ; took up the Coffins, broke them open , and run their Swords through them several times, and left the Bodies of the poor Infants above ground , as Monuments of their Inhuman Villany and Cruelty.

And as if they could not be satisfied unless to the sin of Rebellion, Murder, and Rapine, they likewise added that of Sacriledg ; they went to the High Cathedral Church, and rifled that, took away the Linnen used at the Administration of the Blessed Sacrament ; and had seized the Communion-Plate too, had it not before their coming been conveyed away.

Thus far went these Rebels, and loth to stop
here,

here, Crowned all their Villanies with one more,
viz. They pulled down his Majesty's Picture,
 which was in the great Hall of the Merchants
 Hospital, and then tore it to pieces, uttering
 those treasonable and horrid speeches against
 His Sacred Majesty that are not fit to be heard
 by any Christian man. One of them Preach-
 ing in *Ruglin-Green*, a Village near *Glaseough*,
 had this passage, *viz.* That the King had set
 up his Banner; but told them, they had a Com-
 mission from Christ to set up his Banner, and they
 might easily judg which would prevail.

The Magistrates of the foresaid Town, the
 Masters of the Colledg, and Minister of the
 place, all fled, some to *Dunbertin Castle*, some
 to *Edenburgh*, and some to other places.

Having

post on this day, and such to be
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HAVING given you this brief Account of their Barbarities, I shall now give you in a few words the state of Affairs here in relation to them.

There were some of them got together in *Fife*, who begun to blunder, and steal Horses and Arms, with a resolution to reinforce the Rebels. But upon my Lord Chancellors coming over to *Fife* to suppress these disorders, and to hasten out the Militia and Heretors of that Shire, they vanished and fled towards *Sterling*; where my Lord *Elphinstoun*, and the Earl of *Murray's* Deputy-Steward for the Lordship of *Down*, happily met with them near the Pass, killed and took almost the whole party, and brought in about a hundred Horsemen Prisoners to *Sterling*; where they are now secured. Among these Prisoners they say there are three (if not four) of my Lord *St. Andrew's* Murderers.

The Militia and the Heritors from the three *Lowdens*, *Tivedale*, and the *Merff*, with those from *Fife*, are already come hither, who with the standing-forces make a considerable body,
with

with which they intend to march towards the Enemy to morrow or next day ; and the Forces from the Shire of *Perth* and *Sterling*, are to join them in their March. The Train of Artillery is ready, and all other Necessaries provided for them. And every thing else is done that may tend to the suppressing this Rebellion. All of them both Horse and Foot are brisk and resolute, being animated by a good Cause ; and for a Gracious Prince, their Laws, Lives, and Liberties.

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